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section—namely, at approximately 0.13 and 0.73 of the total depth measured from the bottom of the ice.

In addition to these studies, observations were made to determine the amount of turbidity, colour, alkalinity, and hardness of the waters of these streams under the varying conditions of high and low stages.

TRANSACTIONS OF THE SOCIETY.

JANUARY—FEBRUARY, 1903.

The Annual Meeting of the Society was held at Mendelssohn Hall, No. 119 West Fortieth Street, on Tuesday, January 27, 1903, at 8.30 o'clock P.M.

Vice-President Moore in the chair.

The following persons, recommended by the Council, were elected Fellows:

William Redmond Peters, John R. Gibney, Edward D. Adams.

The Annual Report of the Council was then submitted and read:

NEW YORK, January 8, 1903.

To the American Geographical Society:

The Council respectfully submit the following report for the year 1902:

The number of Fellows on the 1st of January was 1,206. The additions during the year number 85. The losses by death, resignation, etc., were 93, and the total Fellowship on the 31st of December was 1,198, of which number 345 were Life Fellows.

The additions to the Library number 3,673: Periodicals and Pamphlets, 2,618; Books, 734; Maps and Charts, 298, and Atlases, 23.

Six meetings of the Society were held in the year:

On the 21st of January Mr. Alden Sampson described his visit to Palmyra;

On the 18th of February Mr. Richard E. Dodge read a paper on Life Conditions in a Desert, with special reference to the Southwestern United States;

On the 18th of March M. Hugues Le Roux described in French a Visit to the Emperor Menelik;

On the 15th of April Mr. Carl Lumholtz read a paper on the Huichol Indians of Mexico;

On the 18th of November Civil Engineer R. E. Peary addressed the Society on the work of the Peary Arctic Club in the Arctic, 1898-1902;

On the 23d of December Mr. George S. Morison addressed the Society on the Panama Canal.

There have been published in the BULLETIN, besides the Record and Scientific Notes and Letters, Seventeen original papers.

The house No. 11 West 29th St., for so many years the home of the Society, has been sold for \$75,000.

For the condition of the finances reference is respectfully made to the report of the Treasurer, herewith presented.

The receipts, other than ordinary, have been as follows :

Legacies : from the Estate of Charles P. Daly.....	\$16,877.83
“ “ “ “ S. F. B. Morse.....	1,000.
Donations.....	11,786.37

The legacy of \$1,000 from the Estate of Mr. S. F. B. Morse is to be appropriated, according to the provisions of his Will,

“towards the procuring of a suitable medal for the encouragement of geographical research.”

The Will of Mr. Morse was made in 1872. In the present condition of the money market this sum will not produce an income sufficient to pay for a medal worthy of the name of Mr. Morse or likely to be acceptable to geographers of distinction. Therefore it has been decided to invest the amount at compound interest until the fund shall increase to a sum sufficient to produce an income adequate to carry out the designs of Mr. Morse.

Respectfully submitted,

LEVI HOLBROOK,
Secretary.

HENRY PARISH,
Chairman.

The Report of the Treasurer was then read :

The Treasurer respectfully reports that on January 1st there was on

hand a cash balance of.....	\$10,460.35
During the year there have been received for Fellowship Dues, Sales of Publications and interest on investments.....	16,707.79
Legacies and Donations.....	31,642.77
Proceeds of sale of No. 110 West 29th St.....	\$75,000.00
Less remaining on mortgage at 4%.....	50,000.00
	<u>25,000.00</u>
	\$83,810.91

There has been expended for Salaries, Library, Meetings,

Publications, House expenses, Insurance, Postages, Furnishings, &c.....	\$16,393.21
On account of New Building.....	6,791.12
Invested.....	53,500.00
	<u>76,684.33</u>
On December 31st cash balance in Bank.....	7,126.58

The Committee charged with the duty of selecting candidates for the offices to be filled made the following Report:

NEW YORK, January 8, 1903.

To the Council of the American Geographical Society :

The Committee appointed to recommend to the Society suitable persons to be elected in January, 1903, to fill vacancies then existing in its offices respectfully

report that they recommend the election of the following-named persons to the offices below designated :

President—ROBERT E. PEARY.

Vice-President—W. H. H. MOORE.

Foreign Corresponding Secretary—WILLIAM LIBBEY.

Treasurer—WALTER R. T. JONES.

Councillors—FRANCIS M. BACON,

JOHN GREENOUGH,

JAMES J. HIGGINSON,

S. NICHOLSON KANE,

M. TAYLOR PYNE.

FRANCIS M. BACON,
JOHN GREENOUGH,
CHANDLER ROBBINS, } *Committee.*

On motion, duly seconded, Mr. Cyrus C. Adams was authorized to cast the vote of the Society for the candidates, and they were declared duly elected.

Mr. William Libbey then addressed the Society on his recent visit to the Jordan Valley and Petra.

On motion, the Society adjourned.

A Regular Meeting of the Society was held at Mendelssohn Hall, No. 119 West Fortieth Street, on Tuesday, February 17th, 1902, at 8.30 o'clock P.M.

President Peary in the chair.

The following persons, recommended by the Council, were elected Fellows:

Otto Gerdau.

Rufus H. Wood.

William Sellers.

Frederick Strauss.

Henry R. Wood.

William H. Wallace.

Henry R. Taylor.

The President explained to the Society that the very heavy fall of snow had prevented the arrival of the apparatus for illustrating the lecture announced for the evening, and introduced Prof. E. L. Stevenson, who gave a summary of his address on Martin Waldseemüller and the Earliest Cartography of the New World.

On motion, the Society adjourned.